

We cannot see that as citizens of Victoria we are called on to be excessively jubilant over the location of the Seat of Government at this place. The movement was one in which the whole country possessed a direct interest, and the whole country has equal cause to rejoice at its success. Local considerations never weighed a feather with us—never influenced our policy in the least. The question was one of simple expediency and economy. Common sense brought all to protest against a waste of public money by the continuance of the offices at a point so ill-adapted for them as New Westminster. It was not the selfish feeling engendered by a prospective rise in real estate, or a desire to profit by the yearly expenditure in our midst of a few thousand dollars by the officials that caused Victoria and her representatives to take so decided a stand in this respect. Victoria's opposition sprang entirely from a desire to have the Government efficiently and economically administered by the location of its seat at a point that could be easily reached at all seasons and at all times—where it could claim and receive, at a moment's warning, the support of Her Majesty's naval forces, and where it could have easy communication with every part of the world. Such are the motives which actuated Victoria in urging its claims upon the country, which claims are enhanced by her possession of the buildings necessary to the proper transaction of the public business. The same feeling actuated the hundreds in the Upper Country who signed the memorials and praying for the location of the Capital at Victoria. It is a mistake to suppose the petitioners could have been actuated by any feeling of hostility to New Westminster; and, it is an equally fallacious idea that Victoria wished to sacrifice the country to secure her own prosperity. The movement, from first to last, was a patriotic one. The entire country is deeply interested in having the Government administered in the most economical manner consistent with efficiency. As proof of the correctness of this we have only to point to the vote taken upon the resolution on Thursday. Both mover and seconder are popular members representing interior constituencies; only two popular members voted for the retention of the Seat of Government at New Westminster; and the member for Big Bend who supported New Westminster's claims last session, declared in favor of Victoria on Thursday. The result proves that the agitation was not local and that it was not instituted for local aggrandizement or preferment. The interests of the Upper Country were as much involved by the question at issue as those of the lower, and such being the case we cannot understand that Victoria alone is called on to go into hysterics of delight over the attainment of the long sought for object.

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SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST.

LAST NIGHT'S DESPATCHES.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY'S PROCEEDINGS CONCLUDED.

NEW WESTMINSTER, April 2.—Hon. Helmcken's motion for a Court of Appeal, postponed.

Petition for an increase of duty on imported fruits, carried.

Second reading of the Supreme Court Bill, Committee appointed to amend—Hons. Walkem, Woods, DeCosmos, Robson and Ball.

Third reading of the Limitation of Actions Bill, recommended by 9 to 4.

Hon. DeCosmos' motion to change the Constitution of the Council, making it two thirds elective, again postponed.

Hon. Helmcken's motion on the Cowichan road, carried.

Hon. Helmcken's motion extending the Vancouver Island Road Act to Westminister and its neighborhood, carried.

Hon. Robson's motion for the location of a road by Pitt river as far as St. Marys, on the North side of the Fraser, carried unanimously.

Hon. Barnard's motion on the Road tolls, postponed.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Friday, April 3.—Council met at two o'clock. Members present, 18.

NOTICES OF MOTION.

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The Squadron Regatta.

Thursday proved the most delightful day of the season. The sun shone brightly and all nature seemed to smile upon the endeavors of the gentlemen connected with Her Majesty's Squadron on this station to contribute to the recreation and enjoyment of the colonials. In every respect the Regatta was an undoubted success—in the favoring state of the weather, in the kind manner in which Rear Admiral Hastings and his gallant officers received and entertained their guests and in the interesting and exciting aquatic contests which came off. Not a circumstance occurred to mar the pleasures of the day. From an early hour in the morning Esquimalt harbor was dotted with boats of every size and shape, filled with spectators anxious to witness the sport. The vessels comprising H. M.'s Squadron, were gaily decked with flags and streamers, and every bit of bunting on shore was thrown to the breeze. On the flagship were assembled the lady and gentleman guests of the officers, who watched with absorbing interest the lively scenes passing around them, or, impaled by the seductive strains of the Zealous band, mingled in the mazy dance. Boats of every class and model, rowed by crews grotesquely attired, darted hither and thither over the surface of the water. An amateur negro minstrel band favored the spectators with an occasional melody. Old Neptune and Mrs. Neptune were represented by two sailors, one of whom had in his hand the identical trident that once possessed so many terrors for novices when making their initial trip "across the line." On all sides reigned mirth and joviality. "Dull care" was thrown to the winds, and all aimed to be as happy as possible themselves and to make everybody around them equally happy.

The boats in the first race started shortly after one o'clock. The course rowed was from the gunboat Forward, anchored just within the mouth of Esquimalt harbor, around a boat anchored off Magazine Island and back to the stern of the flagship Zealous. It was originally intended that five boats should contest for this first prize, but in consequence of some misunderstanding the Cameleon's two cutters did not get off, so the Admiral's barge and the first and second cutters of the Zealous went it alone. The three boats dashed off at the boom of a gun from the Forward, and proceeded swiftly up the harbor. At the start the first cutter was the favorite; but soon after rounding the boat off Magazine Island it became evident that the barge must win, which she did, passing under the stern of the Zealous far in advance of her competitors, and receiving the hearty plaudits of the spectators as she rounded to. For the second race the Reindeer's first and second cutters and the Sparrowhawk's first cutter started. The boats kept well together until their noses were pointed homewards, when the Reindeer's first cutter rapidly increased the distance between herself and the other boats and reached the winning-post nearly half a minute ahead of the Sparrowhawk's cutter, the third boat being "nowhere." The third race—the contest of the day—was between the Zealous' launch, pinnace and life-boat, and Nos. 3 and 4 harbor pinnaces. The boats were off at the sound of the cannon, No. 3 pinnace leading the van, the launch bringing up the rear at least seven lengths behind the boat in advance. Away the boats dashed past the Forward and Cameleon as they lay at anchor, the small craft that dotted the surface of the harbor hastening to "clear the track" and afford the contestants a "fair field." The boats passed swiftly into the narrow neck towards Magazine Island, the crews straining every nerve.

The Circus.—To-day Mr. Bartholomew makes his last appearance in this town, and we are glad to notice he intends to give an afternoon performance at two o'clock at half price. We hope this opportunity will not be neglected by families, as we can assure the young folks they will have a rich treat. In the evening the last exhibition will comprise the favorite acts of the troupe, including Mr. Franklin the somersault rider, Miss Matilde, and the well educated ponies, when the cessation after piece of Dick Turpin will be produced.

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second gigs—was won by the Sparrowhawk's gig with apparent ease. For the fifth race the Admiral's galley, Beaver's whaler and Cameleon's first gig were entered—the Cameleon winning with scarcely an effort. The sixth race was between the Reindeer's pinnace and the Cameleon's pinnace—the former winning. This race was well contested throughout—the Reindeer's only winning by about two boats' lengths. In the seventh race—cutters pulled by Marines—the Zealous' boat carried off the prize. The eighth (or dingy) race was won by the Sparrowhawks. The ninth race—in which four-oared gigs were rowed respectively by officers from the Reindeer and Zealous—was won by the crew of the former. The tenth race was between the copper punts of the Zealous, Sparrowhawk and Reindeer, each propelled by five or six men armed with stoker's shovels. These punts are queer looking specimens of Naval architecture. They resemble an octagonal box and are used while cleaning the ship's copper. The race was in the highest sense grotesque and amusing. The punts were instructed to start from the bow of the flagship, row around the Reindeer and back to the point of departure. The Sparrowhawk's punt took the lead and maintained it throughout, the Reindeer followed next in order and the Zealous far behind. The appearance of the men (who were attired in fancy costumes) and the strange appearance of the craft reminded one forcibly of the story of the "three wise men of Gotham who put to sea in a bowl." And a wash-bowl the Reindeer's punt in truth proved, for midway between the Zealous and Reindeer a shout and a splash were heard, the Reindeer's punt went down head foremost, and in less time than it takes to tell it half-a-dozen brave fellows were struggling for dear life in the cool waters of the harbor. They were all rescued by boats that went to their assistance. Victory rested with the Sparrowhawks, amid the cheers and laughter of the spectators. For the sailing race a large number of boats started; but after rounding the stake-boat, the breeze, which had been light all day, fell to a dead calm, and the boats remained lazily floating with the tide until the crew in the Zealous' pinnace hit upon the novel device of attaching a line to the stern of the boat and hauling on it with all their strength, the coxswain, meanwhile, working the rudder violently. The device imparted a rocking motion to the boat and by it she was finally enabled to come in winner.

With this race the day's sport ended and the guests retired early in the evening, having passed one of the pleasantest days it had been their lot to enjoy for many years. Admiral and Mrs. Hastings were assiduous in attention to their guests, who were also courteously received and entertained on board the noble iron-clad by Capt. Dawkins, Commander Liddell, Flg Lieut. Brooke, and the other gentlemen connected with the Committee of Management.

DEPARTURE OF THE CALIFORNIA.—The mail steamer California sailed for San Francisco at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, having on board 78 passengers and a full freight of coals, furniture and merchandise. Col. Buckley and Mr. Chappell, of the Western Union Telegraph Company, Rev. Dr. Evans, Mrs. Evans and daughter, C. C. Pendragast, J. H. Turner, Mr. Lawson, H. Fowler, A. T. Blake, Mr. and Mrs. Pidwell, John Glasey, Mrs. Erskine, J. S. Drummond, Mr. and Mrs. Brodrick and Mrs. Zelner, were among the passengers. The number of people that assembled on the wharf to say good-bye to friends was large, and the scene animated and affecting.

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THEATRICAL.—Mr. Marsh, the enterprising Manager and Lessee of the Theatre Royal, has engaged a theatrical company at San Francisco to play here during the season. The company is expected in the next steamer.

CALISTHENICS & DANCING.—Mrs. Palmer's Juvenile Class, Mondays and Thursdays, at 3½ o'clock, at Mrs. Wilson Brown's, Church House.

REDUCTION.—We have reduced our rates on Letters to Great Britain from Fifty to Thirty-Seven and a Half Cents per ½ oz.

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PARDONED.—Tomlinson, who shot at Mark

and was sentenced to two years' imprisonment, has been pardoned by Gov. Seymour.

WE HAVE THE PROOF!

That Bristol's Sarsaparilla and Pills are reliable and certain remedies for heart disease, rheumatism, dyspepsia, liver complaint and scrofula in all its different forms and stages. Physicians of the highest standing have certified to these facts, and we invite all who entertain doubt to read our Bristol's Almanac, circulated free in this country, wherein are published the certificates in full.

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Monday, April 6th,

AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

To Close Balances of Steplo Goods

now on hand and ordered to be closed

20 chests K. U. S. Tea,

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10 cs Oregon Lard,

20 cs Ground Coffee,

2000 lbs Superior Oregon Lard,

20 doz California Brooms,

Chocolate, Pickles

EX "Marmora" from London, for ac-

count whom it may concern

200 cs assorted Oilman's Stores.

MATCHES.

20 cs, 10 grs each, Pillak's Matches.

10 cs, 25 grs each, Vienna Matches.

J. A. MCREA,

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TO PURCHASE FOR CASH, ABOUT

\$150, a full sized lot, in or near Victoria, with a shanty on and fenced in. Particulars of location, price &c., to be left at this Office, addressed

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LARGE IRON SAFE, LYTON &

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—All orders attended to.

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FIRE AND LIFE.

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Capital—£2,000,000 Stg.

Accumulated Funds in hand
£1,200,000 Stg.

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The undersigned, Agents, will receive proposals and effect Insurances on all classes of Fire risks. The Company is enabled to direct the attention of the public with every confidence to the advantages offered in this Branch.

The guarantee of an ample Capital, besides an accumulated Fire Reserved Fund of over £110,000 sterling.

Moderate Premiums.

Prompt and Liberal settlement of Losses.

Loss and damage by explosion of Gas made good.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

The present participating Policy-holders, and all holders of participating Policies issued after 1st January 1863, will become entitled to an increased share of the Profits.

The undersigned, Agents, also wish to direct the attention of the public to some other of the advantages offered by the Company in this Department.

In addition to the guarantee of an ample Capital, the very large Life Reserved Fund of over £900,000.

The large Distribution of Profits, divided every five years, amounting since 1855 to two per cent. per annum on the sum assured,—the greatest bonus ever continuously declared by any Company on all its participating Policies.

The power of the Agents to accept lives without transmitting the proposal to England.

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Agents for Vancouver Island and British Columbia.

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New Advertisements.

Schedule B.

| GENERAL ABSTRACT | | Showing the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets within the Colony of British Columbia, or the Bank of British North America, taken from the usual Weekly Statements during the Quarter from 31st December, 1867 to 31st March, 1868: | |
|---|----------------|---|--------------|
| LIABILITIES. | AMT. TOTALS. | ASSETS | AMT. TOTALS. |
| Notes in circulation, not bearing interest..... | \$128,573 00 | Legal Tender Coin, in Gold and Silver..... | \$162,300 00 |
| Notes in circulation, bearing interest..... | 100 3m | Gold and Silver in Bullion..... | 32,203 00 |
| Bills in circulation, not bearing interest..... | 25,570 35 | Land & Property..... | 29,225 00 |
| Bills in circulation, bearing interest..... | 100 3m | Notes and Bills of other Banks..... | 5,875 00 |
| Balances due to other Banks and Branches..... | 25,570 35 | Balances due from other Banks and Branches..... | 181,143 24 |
| Deposits, not bearing interest..... | \$342,183 43 | Amounts of all Debts due to the Bank, including Notes, Bills, and Deposits, not bearing interest..... | 100 3m |
| Deposits, bearing interest..... | 102,316 00 | Funded Debts of every description, excepting Notes, Bills and Deposits, due to the Bank, and Balances due to the Bank from other Banks..... | 236,474 07 |
| | 444,493 43 | Total amount of assets..... | \$648,928 00 |
| Total amount of liabilities..... | \$600,251 78 | | |
| Amount of the Capital Stock paid up at the close of the quarter ended March 31, 1868..... | \$5,000,000 00 | | |
| Rate of the last Dividend declared to the shareholders..... | 0 0 0 00 an. | | |
| Amount of the last Dividend declared..... | 100 3m | | |
| Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring such dividend..... | 746,000 00 | | |

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| J. G. SHEPHERD, Manager. | JAS. GILLON, Accountant. |
| Declared before me at Victoria, this 1st day of April, 1868. | |
| (Signed) | A. F. PEMBERTON, S.M. |
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Of every description, Wholesale and Retail, at greatly reduced prices.

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This exquisite Perfume is prepared direct from Bloom Tropical Flowers, of surpassing fragrance. It is

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to the overtaxed Body and Mind, particularly when

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Dizziness,

And Hysteria'

It is a sure and speedy relief with the very slight

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Cuba, Mexico and Central and South America, and we

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the delicacy of flavor, richness of bouquet, and permanence,

has no equal. It will also remove from the skin

Roughness,

Blotches,

Sun Burn,

Freckles,

And Pimples.

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